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DISAPPOINTMENTS

Man Puts Way Too Much Stock in His Last Name

Derek Dasher has been jailed on charges he climbed through a roof vent in an attempt to steal two 30-packs of cheap beer from a central Pennsylvania store. Police say that Dasher climbed down through the vent and into the cooler at Cassidy's Brew Zoo in Altoona last week and took two packs of Keystone Light. He ran out the back door but was caught by an employee. (AP)

POLICIES

“Yes, the ‘educators’ will verify sheerness by asking the customer to bend over.”

— CHRISTINA PHILLIPS, IN A FACEBOOK POST SAYING THAT A LULULEMON EMPLOYEE HAD HER BEND OVER TO SEE WHETHER HER BLACK LUON YOGA PANTS QUALIFIED FOR A REFUND. THE COMPANY RECALLED THE PANTS BECAUSE OF AN UNACCEPTABLE LEVEL OF SHEERNESS, THE DAILY MAIL REPORTED MONDAY.

BUSINESS PLANS

‘Francisco’s Taxi Service’ Shuttles After Short Stint

Police say a Connecticut man has been charged with taking his neighbor’s car several times without permission, though he would return the vehicle after using it. Police in Ledyard said Francisco Ramirez, 22, entered another residence on his street on two occasions, used the owner’s vehicle and then returned it. (AP)

The Big Picture



THE PRECIOUS: Radavan Zivny works Tuesday on a sand sculpture of “Lord of the Rings” character Gollum for this year’s Weston-super-Mare Sand Sculpture Festival in England. Set to open Friday, 20 award-winning sand sculptors are creating Hollywood-themed sculptures that include Harry Potter, Marilyn Monroe and “Star Wars” characters.

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N.D. OKs Strict Abortion Ban

Procedure outlawed as early as six weeks into a pregnancy

Bismarck, N.D.

Gov. Jack Dalrymple signed legislation Tuesday that would make North Dakota the nation's most restrictive state on abortion rights, banning the procedure if a fetal heartbeat can be detected — something that can happen as early as six weeks into a pregnancy.

The Republican governor also signed into law another measure that would make North Dakota the first to ban abortions based on

genetic defects such as Down syndrome, and a measure that requires a doctor who performs abortions to be a physician with hospital-admitting privileges.

Abortion-rights advocates have promised a legal fight that they say will be long, costly and unwinnable for the state.

The measures, which would take effect Aug. 1, are fueled in part by an attempt to close the state's sole abortion clinic in Fargo. Dalrymple, in a statement, said the so-called fetal heartbeat bill is a direct challenge to the U.S. Supreme Court's 1973 Roe v. Wade ruling that legalized abortion up until a fetus is considered viable, usually

Meanwhile ...

The Republican-led North Dakota legislature has endorsed a spate of anti-abortion legislation this year. Lawmakers moved last week to outlaw abortion by passing a resolution defining life as starting at conception, essentially banning abortion in the state. The measure is likely to come before voters in November 2014. Representatives also endorsed a bill that would ban abortions after 20 weeks of pregnancy based on the disputed premise that fetuses feel pain at that point. That bill is awaiting Gov. Jack Dalrymple's signature. (AP)

at 22 to 24 weeks.

"Although the likelihood of this measure surviving a court challenge remains in question, this bill is nevertheless a legitimate attempt by a state legislature to discover the boundaries of Roe v. Wade," Dalrymple said.

The legislation doesn't specify how a fetal heartbeat would be detected.

Arkansas passed a 12-week ban earlier this month that prohibits most abortions when a fetal heartbeat can be detected using an abdominal ultrasound. That ban is scheduled to take effect 90 days after the Arkansas legislature adjourns. JAMES MACPHERSON (AP)

In Brief



Pedro Quezada claims his Powerball prize Tuesday in Lawrenceville, N.J.

LAWRENCEVILLE, N.J. \$338M Lottery Winner Feels 'Joy,' Uncertainty

New Jersey man Pedro Quezada said Tuesday he felt "pure joy" at winning a \$338 million Powerball jackpot but has no idea what he will do with the money — except buy a car to replace his feet as his primary mode of transportation. (AP)

BIRMINGHAM, ALA. City: Airport Cabinet That Killed Boy Not Inspected

A lawyer for the city of Birmingham says a large cabinet holding flight information monitors that toppled and killed 10-year-old Luke Bresette inside a renovated airport terminal wasn't inspected after installation. The child's mother and a brother remain hospitalized after being struck Friday by the overturned unit. (AP)

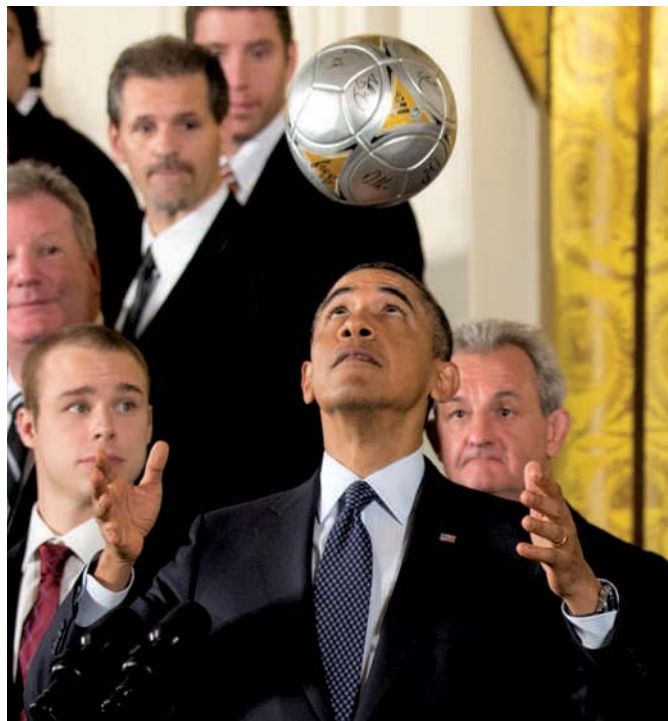
CAPE CANAVERAL, FLA. SpaceX Lands in Pacific

The SpaceX Dragon capsule returned to Earth on Tuesday with more than 1 ton of science experiments and equipment from the International Space Station. The privately owned cargo ship splashed down in the Pacific right on target five hours after leaving the orbiting lab. (AP)

WASHINGTON High Court: No Drug Dogs Without Search Warrant

The Supreme Court ruled Tuesday that police cannot bring drug-sniffing police dogs onto a suspect's property to look for evidence without first getting a warrant for a search, a decision that may limit how investigators use dogs' sensitive noses to search out drugs, explosives and other items. (AP)

Heads Up, President



PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA BOUNCES a soccer ball off his forehead Tuesday during a ceremony at the White House honoring the Stanley Cup champion Los Angeles Kings and the Major League Soccer champion LA Galaxy for their 2012 championship seasons.

EPA: Many U.S. Rivers, Streams in 'Poor' Shape

Washington

More than half of the country's rivers and streams are in poor biological health, unable to support healthy populations of aquatic insects and other creatures, according to a new nationwide survey released Tuesday.

The Environmental Protection Agency sampled nearly 2,000 locations in 2008 and 2009 — including rivers as large as the Mississippi River and streams small enough for wading. The study found more than 55 percent of them in poor condition, 23 percent in fair shape and 21 percent in good biological health.

The most widespread problem was high levels of nutrient pollution, caused by phosphorus and nitrogen washing into rivers and streams from farms, cities and sewers. High levels of phosphorus — a common ingredient in detergents

Other Risks

In the stream and river study, the Environmental Protection Agency also found some potential risks for human health. In 9 percent of rivers and streams, bacteria exceeded thresholds protective of human health. And mercury, which is toxic, was found in fish tissue along 13,000 miles of streams at levels exceeding health-based standards. (AP)


and fertilizers — were found in 40 percent of rivers and streams.

"This new science shows that America's streams and rivers are under significant pressure," said Nancy Stoner, acting assistant administrator of EPA's water office. "We must continue to invest in protecting and restoring our nation's streams and rivers."

DINA CAPPIELLO (AP)

Joining the Club: T-Mobile said Tuesday it will start offering the iPhone on April 12, filling what its CEO called "a huge void" in its phone lineup. The company will charge \$100 up-front for the iPhone 5, then an additional \$20 per month for two years. That's on top of service fees for voice, text and data that start at \$50 per month. The total monthly cost starts at \$70 per month, a substantial discount to prices offered by bigger companies. (AP)


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Woman to Lead Secret Service

With appointment, Obama signals desire for change

Washington

President Barack Obama on Tuesday named veteran Secret Service agent Julia Pierson as the agency's first female director, signaling his

Pierson

desire to change the culture at the male-dominated service, which has been marred by scandal. Pierson, who most recently served as the agency's chief of staff, will take over from Mark Sullivan, who announced his retirement last month. The agency faced intense criticism during Sullivan's tenure for a prostitution scandal during preparations for Obama's trip to Cartagena, Colombia, last year.

Marred by Scandal

Thirteen Secret Service employees were caught up in last year's prostitution scandal. After a night of heavy partying in the Caribbean resort city of Cartagena, the employees brought women, including prostitutes, back to the hotel where they were staying. The incident became public, and eight of the employees were forced out of the agency, three were cleared of serious misconduct and at least two have been fighting to get their jobs back. The incident took place ahead of President Barack Obama's arrival in Colombia, and the service said the president's safety was never compromised. But news of the scandal overshadowed the summit and embarrassed the U.S. delegation. (AP)

The incident raised questions within the agency about the culture, particularly during foreign travel. In addition to protecting the president, the Secret Service also investigates financial crimes. "Over her 30 years of experience with the Secret Service, Julia has consistently exemplified the spirit and dedication the men and women of the service demonstrate every day," Obama said in a statement announcing Pierson's appointment, which does not require Senate confirmation.

At the Secret Service, Pierson has served as deputy assistant director of the office of protective operations, assistant director of human resources and training and chief of staff. She started in 1983 as a special agent in Miami. Before that, she was a police officer in Orlando, Fla. "Julia is eminently qualified to lead the agency that not only safeguards Americans at major events and secures our financial system, but also protects our leaders and our first families, including my own," Obama said. JULIE PACE (AP)

Consumer Confidence Drops

Washington

Americans are less confident in the economy than they were last month as the \$85 billion across-the-board government spending cuts have stoked economic uncertainty.

Americans' views have fluctuated between optimism and angst over the months as they've weighed an advancing stock market and housing recovery against new economic challenges.

The Conference Board, a New York-based private research group, said Tuesday that its Consumer Confidence Index fell in March to 59.7 from a revised reading of 68 in February and the 68.7 that analysts polled by research firm FactSet expected. Confidence is still far

Why It Matters

The Consumer Confidence Index is closely watched by economists because it makes a monthly gauge of how Americans are feeling about their jobs, incomes and other issues. That's important because consumer spending accounts for 70 percent of U.S. economic activity. (AP)

off from the 90 reading that indicates a healthy economy.

Meanwhile, President Barack Obama on Tuesday signed a bill to keep the government running through the end of September. The measure leaves in place \$85 billion in automatic budget cuts known as the sequester. MARCY GORDON (AP)

Hearsay

"Needless to say, I join you keenly aware that I am regarded in a different light now than I was a year ago."

— DAVID PETRAEUS, IN EXCERPTS FROM HIS FIRST SPEECH SINCE BEING FORCED TO RESIGN AS HEAD OF THE CIA AFTER THE DISCLOSURE OF AN EXTRA-MARITAL AFFAIR. ON TUESDAY, HE WAS SET TO DELIVER THE KEYNOTE ADDRESS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA'S ANNUAL ROTC DINNER.

32%

The amount medical claims costs will jump on average for individual policies under President Barack Obama's health-care overhaul, according to a report by the Society of Actuaries, the nation's leading group of financial-risk analysts. (AP)

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World

In Brief



A rebel convoy drives through Bangui, Central African Republic, on Tuesday.

BANGUI, C. AFRICAN REPUBLIC Rebels Condemned for Looting in Wake of Coup

Aid groups and the international community on Tuesday condemned looting in Central African Republic's capital of Bangui, saying that even hospitals had been robbed after a weekend coup that ousted the president of a decade. Rebel leader Michel Djotodia on Monday declared himself the new leader, saying he would stay in power for three years. (AP)

NICOSIA, CYPRUS

Cypriot Banks Stay Shut In Wake of Bailout Deal

Cypriot businesses were under increasing strain to keep running Tuesday after financial authorities stretched the country's bank closure into a second week in an attempt to stop depositors rushing to drain their accounts. Cyprus' central bank governor, Panicos Demetriades, said "superhuman efforts are being made" to open banks Thursday. (AP)

DAMASCUS, SYRIA

Rebels Take Syria's Seat At Diplomatic Summit

Syria's opposition took over the country's seat for the first time at an Arab summit Tuesday in a diplomatic triumph marred by divisions in the opposition. The opposition's ascension at the summit in Qatar, a backer of the those fighting to topple President Bashar Assad, demonstrated the extent of the regime's isolation. (AP)

Italy Orders Retrial for Knox

U.S. woman was cleared in 2011 in slaying of roommate

Rome

Italy's highest criminal court ordered a whole new trial for Amanda Knox and her former Italian boyfriend on Tuesday, overturning their acquittals in the gruesome slaying of her British roommate.

The move extended a legal battle that has become a cause celebre in the U.S. and raised a host of questions about how the next phase of Italian justice would play out.

Knox, now a 25-year-old University of Washington student in Seattle, called the decision by the Rome-based Court of Cassation "painful" but said she was confident she would be exonerated.

The American left Italy a free woman after her 2011 acquittal — but only after serving nearly four years of a 26-year prison sentence from a lower court that convicted her of murdering Meredith Kercher.

Raffaele Sollecito, Knox's Italian boyfriend at the time, was also convicted, sentenced and later

Backstory: Key Moments in the Case

Nov. 2, 2007

The body of Meredith Kercher, 21, is found in her apartment in Perugia, Italy. Investigators say she was killed the night before.

Nov. 6, 2007

Amanda Knox is arrested with then-boyfriend Raffaele Sollecito and Diya "Patrick" Lumumba, the owner of pub where Knox worked. Lumumba is later released for lack of evidence.

Dec. 6, 2007

Ivory Coast national Rudy Guede is extradited from Germany and jailed on arrival in Italy. He is later convicted of the murder and sexual assault of Kercher and sentenced to 30 years.



About the Victim

In 2007, British exchange student Meredith Kercher's body was found in the bedroom of a rented house she shared with Amanda Knox in the Italian university town of Perugia. Her throat had been slit. (AP)

Jan. 16, 2009

The trial of Knox and Sollecito opens in Perugia.

Dec. 4, 2009

The court finds Knox guilty of murder and sexual assault and sentences her to 26 years in prison. Sollecito is also convicted of the same charges and sentenced to 25 years.



Nov. 24, 2010

Appeals trial for Knox and Sollecito opens in Perugia.

Oct. 3, 2011

Appeals court clears Knox and Sollecito of murder convictions after a forensic report finds much of the DNA evidence is unreliable. (AP)



N. Korea Warns of High-Level Prep for Combat

Seoul, S. Korea

North Korea's military warned Tuesday that its artillery and rocket forces are at their highest-level combat posture in the latest in a string of bellicose threats aimed at South Korea and the United States.

North Korea, angry over routine U.S.-South Korean drills and recent U.N. sanctions punishing it for its Feb. 12 nuclear test, has vowed to launch a nuclear strike against the United States and repeated its nearly two-decade-old threat to reduce

Meanwhile ...

North Korea's announcement

about its military preparations Tuesday came as South Koreans marked the third anniversary of the sinking of a warship in which 46 sailors died. Seoul says the ship was hit by a North Korean torpedo, which the North denies. At a ceremony marking the anniversary, South Korean President Park Geun-hye again urged the North to abandon its nuclear weapons program. (AP)

Seoul to a "sea of fire." Despite the rhetoric, outside analysts have seen no proof that North Korea has such technology.

On Tuesday, the North Korean army's Supreme Command said it will take "practical military action" to protect national sovereignty.

Seoul's Defense Ministry said Tuesday it hasn't seen any suspicious North Korean military activity. Analysts say a direct North Korean attack is extremely unlikely, especially during joint U.S.-South Korean drills that end April 30. (AP)

Hearsay



"She would make any small problem big. ... I was stealing stuff and sold them to get some food."

— ALEXANDER ABNOV, 18, WHO WAS ADOPTED BY A U.S. COUPLE, TELLING RUSSIAN MEDIA THAT HIS ADOPTIVE FAMILY TREATED HIM BADLY. HE RETURNED TO RUSSIA. HIS STORY WILL LIKELY FUEL OUTRAGE OVER THE FATE OF RUSSIAN CHILDREN ADOPTED BY AMERICANS.

46 The number of inmates who escaped a prison in an oasis city in Libya's southern desert, officials said Tuesday. The security official said the inmates broke out of the prison in Sabha early Tuesday. He said prison guards fired warning shots to stop them, which resulted in the death of one. Nine were arrested and authorities continued to search for 36 others. (AP)

World



A potential couple dance on a car at a Roma bridal fair in Bulgaria on Saturday.

Women on the Market At Bridal Fair in Bulgaria

Stara Zagora, Bulgaria

Donka Hristova lets her mother pull her minidress a half-inch down her leg before she joins her sisters in a provocative dance.

The Gypsy girl is on a mission: catching the eye of a Gypsy guy at what locals have dubbed the "bridal market" to initiate haggling that could lead to marriage.

"It's a good tradition," says Hristova, 19.

The twice-a-year event's reputation goes back generations. It used to take place in a muddy open field. A generation ago, brides-to-be stood on stage with suitors competing for their hands. Those days are over, and love's not exactly for sale here. But in the parking lot that hosts the nearly 2,000 attendees, negotiations are quietly churning.

Often, the future of entire families is in the balance as these Roma seek to forge mutually beneficial unions that will help them weather Bulgaria's brutal economic down-

turn. The families here are part of a community known as Kalaidzhi, who are traditionally coppersmiths. That trade is dying out, thanks in part to cheaper goods from China.

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The price that a Roma bride may fetch, a decrease in recent years as jobs have dried up. Some say it is an innocent payment for the wedding. Others say it is what families will pay for a woman said to be a virgin. (AP)

Talk of brides being sold causes bristling among the Kalaidzhi, who say the marriage fair is a tradition that actually works.

Pepa Georgieva married in 2008 after a courtship sparked at the bridal fair. She came this year to help her 20-year-old cousin.

"She has not decided, and she can't decide by herself," Georgieva said. "We are asking her opinion but she also has to recognize our opinion." GREGORY KATZ (AP)



Room Service

The renovations on the papal apartment are finished, but Pope Francis is staying put in the Vatican hotel. The Vatican said Francis, who has long shunned fancy digs, told staff and guests of the Domus Sanctae Martae on Tuesday that he had no plans to move out soon. Vatican spokesman the Rev. Federico Lombardi says it's not clear how long the "experiment" of hotel living will last. (AP)

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Report Faults Inspectors

Study: Firm tested concrete improperly at Md. transit hub

Silver Spring

The firm hired by Montgomery County, Md., to perform field inspections on the Silver Spring Transit Center improperly tested the strength of concrete, apparently failed to measure its thickness and didn't raise sufficient concerns when the concrete started to crack, according to independent engineers and county officials.

Concrete not strong enough to sustain the daily strain on the transit center is one of multiple design and construction failures identified by engineering consultants last week in a report on the \$112 million train-and-bus hub, which is \$80 million over budget and two years behind schedule.

Balter, an Owings Mill, Md., firm, handles field inspections and materials testing on all of the county's capital construction projects.

At the transit center, one of Balter's key responsibilities was to test concrete as it was trucked to the construction site in 2010



SARAH L. VOISIN/TWP

The Silver Spring hub is \$80 million over budget and two years behind schedule.

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The number of years of "useful life" the center has, as built, instead of the 50 years specified by the county's contract, consultants found.

and 2011. According to the study, by KCE Structural Engineers, the samples tested by Balter showed that the concrete met the required strength. But when the consultant tested samples taken from the finished slabs last year, it was found to be below the required strength.

Among KCE's findings was that "apparently not all of the [Balter] inspectors had the certificates

required of them by the county."

The issue sent county officials scrambling last week to check resumes and qualifications of Balter staff working on seven active projects: new libraries in Silver Spring, Gaithersburg and Olney; the Plum Gar Neighborhood Recreation Center in Germantown; the Travilah fire station; the Third District police station in Silver Spring; and the Animal Services and Adoption Center in Derwood.

General Services director David Dise said Friday that all credentialing of personnel on the sites checked out.

BILL TURQUE (THE WASHINGTON POST)

The Lotteries

Tuesday, March 26

District

Mid-day Lucky Numbers 7-3-6
Evening Lucky Numbers (Mon.) 2-9-8
Mid-day DC 4 5-1-9-9
Evening DC 4 (Mon.) 7-2-8-8
Mid-day D.C. Five 8-7-1-2-7
Evening D.C. Five (Mon.) 2-4-2-6-5

Maryland

Mid-day Pick 3 0-9-5
Evening Pick 3 (Mon.) 5-5-4
Mid-day Pick 4 7-1-1-4
Evening Pick 4 (Mon.) 5-6-2-4
Match 5 (Mon.) 8-12-21-34-39 (33)

Virginia

Mid-day Pick 3 4-5-1
Evening Pick 3 (Mon.) 3-6-2
Mid-day Pick 4 7-9-1-7
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McDonnell OKs Va. Voter ID Law

Governor signs bill that could take effect as soon as fall 2014

Washington

Virginia Gov. Bob McDonnell has signed a bill that would require voters to present a photo ID to cast a ballot as soon as fall 2014.

McDonnell also issued an executive order directing the State Board of Elections to implement a plan to inform the public about the changes. The board also would help

people lacking appropriate photo identification to obtain IDs before the 2014 elections, when the measure would take effect.

The General Assembly passed the legislation this session over the objection of Democrats, who called the measure an unnecessary burden on the poor, elderly and minorities.

In signing the bill, McDonnell emphasized that the law would provide for a free photo ID to anyone who lacks one.

"I thought the bill did properly balance the ballot security and

Meanwhile ...



Gov. Bob McDonnell had until midnight Monday to make changes to or veto bills passed during the 2013 legislative session.

One amendment he offered Monday forbids policies providing most abortions to be sold through the exchange that is authorized by President Barack Obama's health-care overhaul in Virginia. (TWP/AP)

honest election requirement with any civil liberty or impediment-to-voting concerns," McDonnell said during a monthly WTOP radio appearance.

The governor acknowledged that the bill is still subject to approval by the Department of Justice under the Voting Rights Act.

McDonnell sought last year to blunt criticism that the 2012 voter ID law disenfranchised some voters and issued an executive order that elections officials mail new voter ID cards to registered voters.

ERRIN WHACK (THE WASHINGTON POST)

In Brief

WASHINGTON

Developer Sues Graham, Metro Over Land Deal

Developer Banneker Ventures is suing D.C. Council member Jim Graham in connection with a disputed Metro real-estate deal that he was involved in during his tenure on the transit agency's board of directors. Banneker claims that Graham illegally interfered in the company's effort to build a residential and retail development on Metro-owned land in Shaw. Filed on Monday in federal court in the District, the suit also names a competing developer and Metro as defendants and seeks \$100 million in compensatory damages.

(THE WASHINGTON POST)

WASHINGTON

Pedestrians Struck on Sidewalk in Takoma

Two adults and a child standing near a bus stop in Northwest Washington were struck by a vehicle that went up onto a sidewalk, according to authorities with D.C. police and Metro. At least one of the victims was in serious condition at an area hospital; officials said the child

was hospitalized with a foot injury. The accident occurred shortly after noon at Georgia Avenue and Butternut Street Northwest, in the Takoma neighborhood. According to Metro officials, a Metrobus was stopped at a bus stop when a 79-year-old drove up on the sidewalk.

(THE WASHINGTON POST)

WASHINGTON

D.C. Officials Dispute Health Overhaul Study

District of Columbia officials say a study that shows medical claims costs will increase in the city under President Barack Obama's health care overhaul is using flawed data. The study from the Society of Actuaries found that claims costs will jump an average of 52 percent for individual policyholders in the district. It says 12.3 percent of district residents are uninsured. But city officials say just 6.2 percent residents are uninsured, which is one of the lowest rates in the nation. Because of the flawed data, the study doesn't draw any meaningful conclusions about the city, said Mila Kofman, executive director of the D.C. Health Benefits Exchange Authority. (AP)

Officials Break Ground on Rebuilt SE High School

Washington

D.C. Mayor Vincent Gray and other city officials gathered Tuesday in Southeast Washington to break ground for Ballou Senior High School's new facility, the latest D.C. public school to be rebuilt from the ground up.

The \$120 million building is expected to open its doors to students in fall 2014. The design boasts three floors of new classrooms behind a striking glass facade; spaces dedicated to arts and career courses, including a new auto-tech lab, computer lab and exhibition kitchen; and an athletic wing with a gymnasium and eight-lane swimming pool.

"We think this will be one of the finest high schools in America," Gray said.

Chancellor Kaya Henderson said the building is as much a message as it is a brick-and-mortar structure. "We're letting our young people know that we believe

"Ward 7 and Ward 8 have been at the back of the bus too long ... We're now moving up to the front."

— MARION BARRY, WARD 8 D.C. COUNCIL MEMBER, WHO PUSHED FOR THE MONEY TO MAKE THE PROJECT POSSIBLE.

in them, that we're investing in them," she said.

The new facility will be next door to the current Ballou, a crumbling brick building that houses about 800 students in one of the city's poorest neighborhoods.

Fewer than one-quarter of Ballou's students are proficient in reading and math, according to the city's standardized tests, and half graduate within four years. Chronic truancy is also a problem: 46 percent of Ballou students missed at least a month of class in the past school year. EMMA BROWN

(THE WASHINGTON POST)

Where We Live

THE POST'S REAL ESTATE BLOG

Are We Headed for A Housing Bubble?

Average home prices in metropolitan Washington were up by double-digit percentages in three out of the past four months. Are we seeing signs that we're headed for another bubble here in the Washington area?

The short answer is no. At least not the kind of bubble we experienced in 2002 through 2006. Stricter underwriting standards have limited the pool of potential homebuyers to those who are most qualified. The demand this time is based more closely on market fundamentals. And the recent price growth is "real." Or "more real."

It remains to be seen if the region's home prices are sustainable, but there are at least two trends at work to suggest that the pace of price growth will be more moderate.

First, across the U.S., housing markets have bottomed out, job growth is on the rise and investors are being lured to other regions. Second, the structure of the Washington-area economy and the demographic makeup of its population is changing.

It is unlikely we will see persistent double-digit price growth.

As a result of those changes, the demand for rental housing and smaller, more moderately priced owner housing will outpace the demand for larger, more expensive housing.

The local housing market will continue to improve, though it is unlikely we will see persistent double-digit price growth.

Lisa A. Sturtevant is an associate research professor in George Mason University's School of Public Policy and deputy director of GMU's Center for Regional Analysis.



Tiny Desk on the Move: With NPR packing up and moving its office, along with it goes one of D.C.'s best music venues — the Tiny Desk. NPR Music's Bob Boilen began hosting stripped-down concerts in the office in 2008 and they became an online hit. Local rock group OK Go (known for its made-to-be-viral videos) is helping transition between the old and new buildings by playing a concert on a flatbed truck as the venue is moved across town. (TWP)

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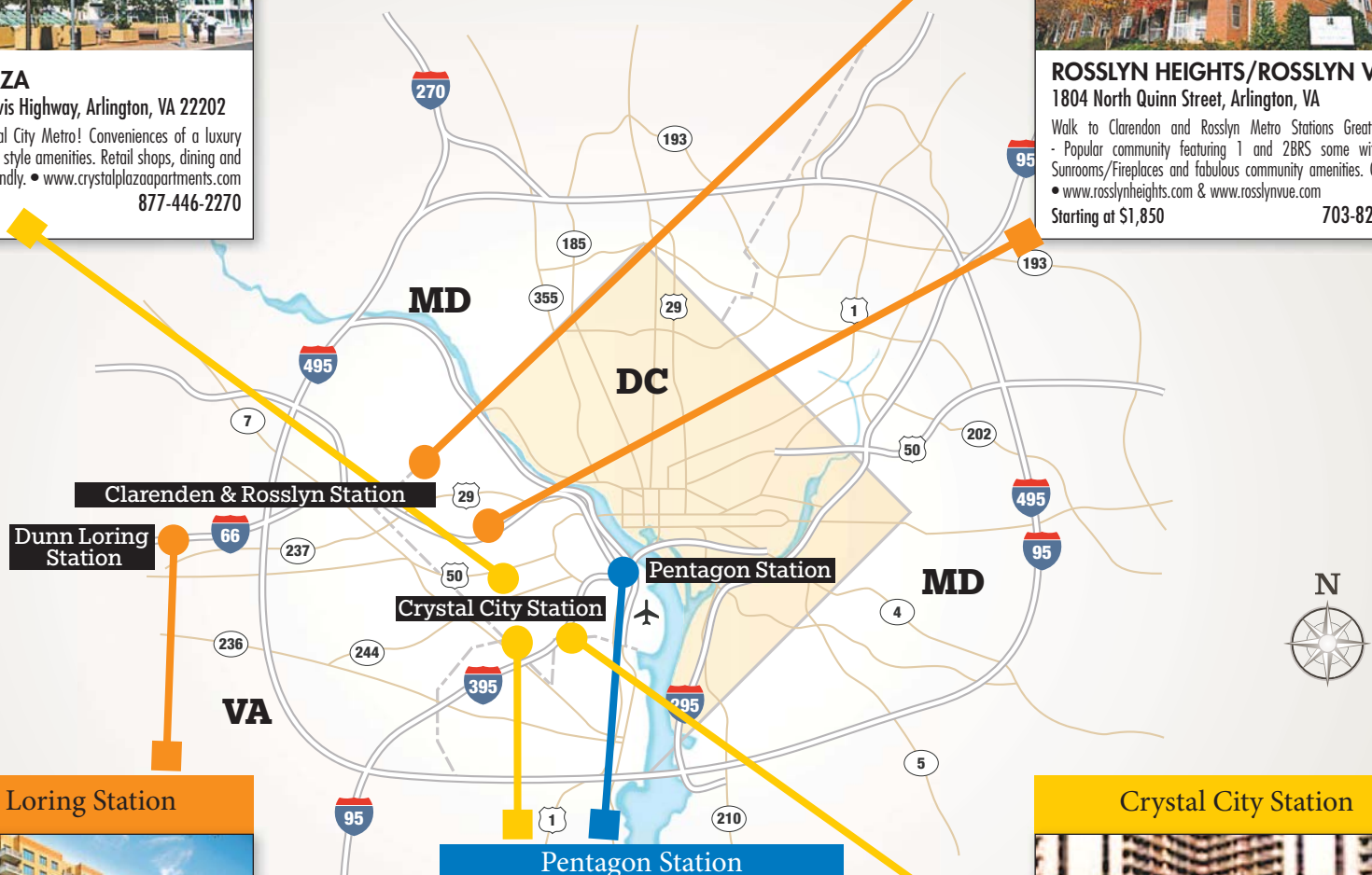
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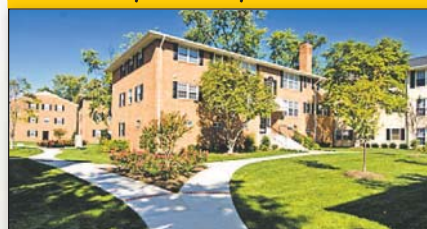
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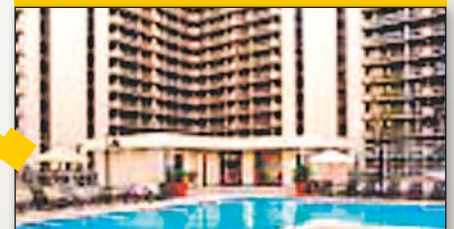


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Cover Story



Demonstrators on both sides of the same-sex marriage issue gather outside the Supreme Court on Tuesday as the justices hear the initial arguments on California's Proposition 8.



The Ban in California

What Happened

In 2008, California voters approved Proposition 8 — the “yes” vote was in favor of eliminating same-sex marriage — 52.3 percent to 47.7 percent. President Barack Obama, who opposed same-sex marriage at the time, won California with 61.1 percent on the same day. In Los Angeles County, the state's most populous, the measure won a narrow majority of 50.1 percent. But Obama carried the county with a whopping 69 percent.

The Discrepancy

African-American voters were overwhelmingly in favor of banning same-sex marriage (70 percent supported Proposition 8) even as they supported Obama (94 percent). Hispanic voters backed Proposition 8 by a 53 percent to 47 percent margin, while giving President Obama 74 percent.

The Explanation

Many largely black churches supported the ban. Hispanics, a heavily Catholic bloc, were also inclined to side with their faith. Demographics weren't the only reason for Proposition 8's success, GOP strategist Rob Stutzman said: “The better campaign won.”

(THE WASHINGTON POST)

A Daunting Proposition

Supreme Court signals it won't weigh in on Calif.'s gay-marriage ban

Washington

The Supreme Court dove into a historic debate on gay rights Tuesday that could soon lead to the resumption of same-sex marriage in California, but the justices signaled they may not be ready for a major national ruling on whether America's gays and lesbians have a right to marry.

The court's first major examination of gay rights in 10 years continues today, when the justices will consider the federal law that prevents legally married gay couples from receiving a range of benefits afforded straight married people.

The issue Tuesday was more fundamental: Does the Constitution require that people be allowed to marry whom they choose, regardless of gender? That the question was in front of the Supreme Court at all was startling, given that no state recognized same-sex unions before 2003 and 40 states still don't allow them.

Demonstrators crowded the court, waving signs, sometimes chanting.

Inside, Justice Samuel Alito cautioned against a broad ruling because



A drag queen performs Tuesday in front of protesters outside the Supreme Court.

On the Bandwagon

A slew of lawmakers have recently given their support for gay marriage:

- **Thursday:** Sen. Tim Kaine, D-Va.
- **Sunday:** Sen. Claire McCaskill, D-Mo.
- **Monday:** Sens. Mark Begich, D-Alaska; Mark Warner, D-Va.; Tim Johnson, D-S.D.; and Jay Rockefeller, D-W.V.
- **Tuesday:** Sen. Jon Tester, D-Mont.

(THE WASHINGTON POST)

the issue of gay marriage is so new.

“You want us to step in and render a decision based on an assessment of the effects of this institution which is newer than cellphones or the Internet? I mean, we do not have the ability to see the future,” Alito said.

It was clear from the start of the 80-minute argument that the justices had doubts about whether they should be hearing the challenge to California's Proposition 8, the state's

voter-approved gay-marriage ban.

Justice Anthony Kennedy, the potentially decisive vote, suggested the justices could dismiss the case with no ruling at all. Several members of the court were troubled by the Obama administration's main contention that when states offer same-sex couples civil union rights of marriage, as California and eight other states do, they also must allow marriage.

Chief Justice John Roberts also questioned whether gay marriage proponents were arguing over a label.

If the court wants to find an exit without making a decision about gay marriage, it has two basic options.

It could rule that the opponents have no right, or legal standing, to defend Proposition 8 in court.

The justices could also decide that they should not have agreed to hear the case. That would likely allow gay marriages to resume in California since an appeals court struck down Proposition 8. Same-sex marriages were authorized by the California Supreme Court before voters passed the measure in 2008.

(AP/THE WASHINGTON POST)



Carl Hall and ninth-seeded Wichita State have defeated two teams in the NCAA tournament with a better seeding — No. 8 Pittsburgh and top-seeded Gonzaga.

Wild West Full of Surprises

Wichita St., La Salle are still alive in most unpredictable region

NCAA Tournament

Arizona and Ohio State reaching the West Region's semifinals was not much of a surprise. Both are loaded with talent, have great coaches and were relatively high seeds.

The rest of the West was a mess, at least in terms of trying to put together a bracket.

New Mexico, Kansas State and Wisconsin, seeded 3-5, didn't get past their first games. Top-seeded Gonzaga struggled in its first game, lost its second. La Salle had to win a play-in game, then knocked off two teams with better seeds.

Of the region's 12 games so

7 of 12

Games in the West Region of the 2013 NCAA tournament that have been won by the team with the worse seed.

far, seven were won by the team with the worse seed, by far the most of the NCAA tournament's four regions.

The West has indeed been wild, so, in a way, it seems fitting that Wichita State and La Salle would play in the nightcap of the regional semifinals Thursday night at Staples Center in Los Angeles.

"It's not parity. Everyone's good," La Salle coach John Giannini said. "Maybe no one is great the way Jordan, Perkins and Worthy were, [or] Patrick Ewing's teams, but everybody is good."

It's a hard point to argue.

Gonzaga came into the NCAA tournament as the nation's hottest team, ranked No. 1 the final two weeks of the regular season and one of four No. 1 seeds in the field of 68.

The Zags labored in their opener before pulling away from Southern University to avoid becoming the first No. 1 seed to lose to a No. 16. Instead, Gonzaga became the first top seed to go down in this year's tournament, knocked out by the somewhat shocking Shockers of Wichita State.

"I lost it a little bit, just the instant reaction and realizing this was the finish," Gonzaga senior Mike Hart said after the 76-70 loss. "That's the brutality of the NCAA tournament — how great it can be and how quickly it can all end."

That was certainly the case in the West.

No. 14 seed Harvard blew up

brackets everywhere with a victory over No. 3 New Mexico, a favorite dark-horse pick to reach the Final Four.

Wisconsin was unable to build off its run to the Big Ten tournament title game and was bounced by Mississippi and its mouthy guard, Marshall Henderson.

La Salle didn't even get its own seeding; the Explorers had to share it with Boise State, earning the spot by beating the Broncos in the First Four. La Salle followed that up by taking out No. 4 Kansas State and made it three wins in five days by bringing down Henderson and the Rebels.

Wichita State pulled off a mild upset in its opening game by rolling over No. 8 seed Pittsburgh, then took down a tournament titan, rallying from an eight-point second-half deficit to beat Gonzaga. JOHN MARSHALL (AP)

In Brief

MLB SPRING TRAINING

Nats' Harper Has a Hit In 9 Straight At-Bats



Harper

Bryce Harper singled in each of his first two times up to extend his streak of consecutive at-bats with a hit to nine, but the Nationals lost 8-5 to the Marlins on Tuesday. Harper walked in the fifth, then left the game. He's hitting .476 (30-for-63) with three homers and 14 RBIs this spring. Dan Haren allowed five runs and seven hits — including four home runs — in six innings. (AP)

GOLF

Mclroy Texts Woods After Losing Top Spot

Rory Mclroy sent a text message to Tiger Woods on Tuesday, congratulating him on winning at Bay Hill and taking over the No. 1 world ranking again. Woods responded by telling Mclroy to get going — he put it a bit more crudely than that — and win this week's Houston Open. A victory would put Mclroy back at No. 1, a spot he held for 32 weeks before Woods' latest win. (AP)

SOCCER

U.S. Win in Snow Upheld

FIFA has upheld the United States' 1-0 win over Costa Rica in a snowy World Cup qualifier last week, saying the protest by the visitors was not filed correctly. The Ticos were angered by the decision of referee Joel Aguilar of El Salvador to allow the game in Commerce City, Colo., to be played on a snow-covered field. (AP)

TV Lineup

COLLEGE HOOPS (7 P.M., ESPN2)

Top-seeded Virginia hosts No. 3 Iowa in the NIT quarterfinals with a trip to Madison Square Garden on the line.

NBA (8 P.M., ESPN) The Heat take their 27-game winning streak, the second-longest in NBA history, into Chicago to face the Bulls.



Jeter Not Ready: Yankees captain Derek Jeter is resigned to starting the season on the disabled list for the first time since 2001. Jeter is undergoing treatment for his sore left ankle, still recovering from surgery in October. His last game action came as a designated hitter Saturday in a minor league exhibition. "Of course, it's disappointing," Jeter said Tuesday. "I told you guys all along the goal was to be ready on opening day, and I didn't reach it." (AP)

Sports



Some viewers have questioned the appropriateness of Nike's online ad.

Nike Takes Heat for Ad With Tiger

Golf

Nike is causing a social media storm with its latest online ad showing a picture of Tiger Woods overlaid with a quote from him, "Winning takes care of everything."

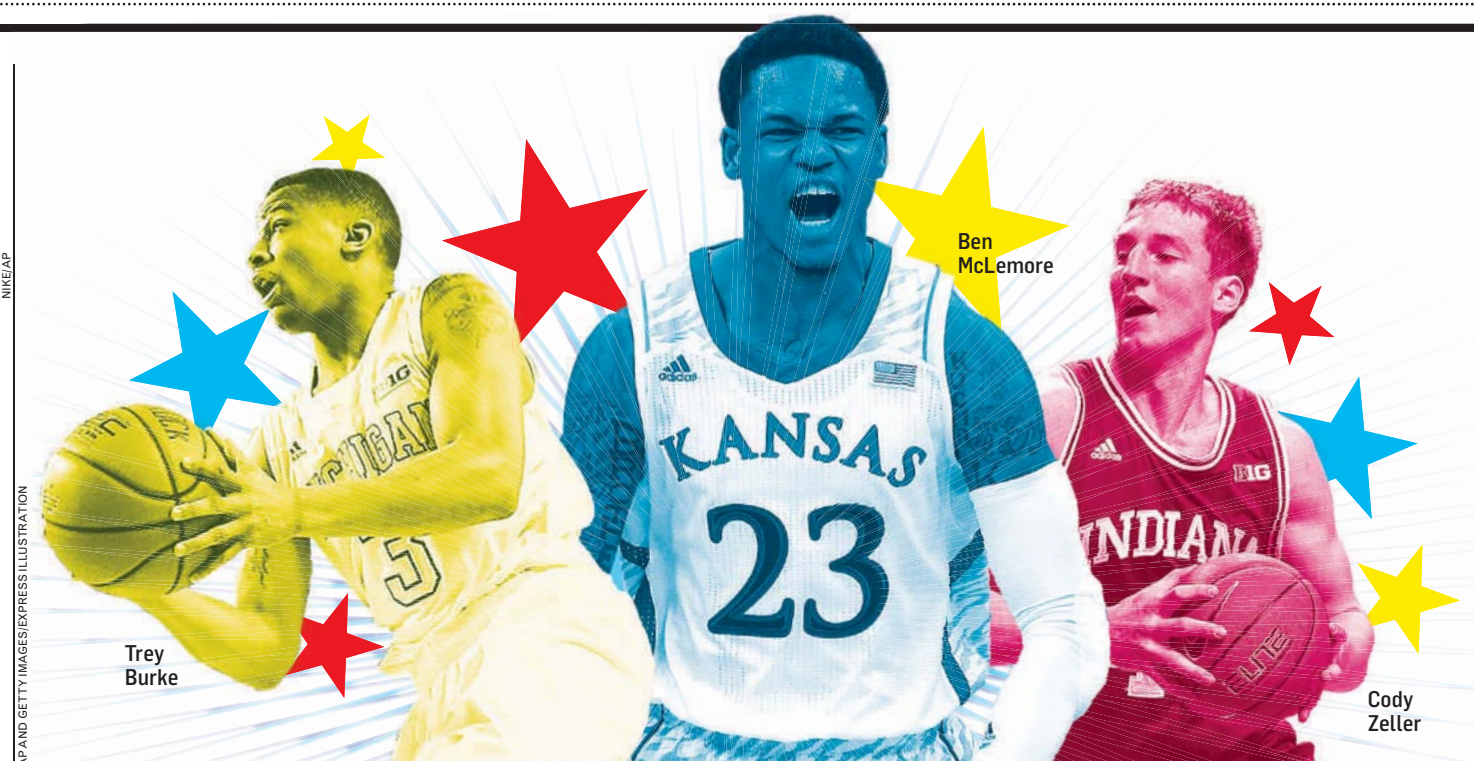
The ad, posted on Facebook and Twitter, is supposed to allude to the fact that the golfer recovered from career stumbles to regain his world No. 1 ranking on Monday, which he lost in October 2010. But some say it's inappropriate in light of Woods' past marital woes. It's the latest controversy for the company, which recently had to cut ties with biker Lance Armstrong and runner Oscar Pistorius due to separate scandals.

Woods has long used the phrase — at least since 2009 — whenever reporters ask him about his or other golfers' rankings.

The ad had garnered more than 10,000 likes and 2,000 shares on Facebook by Tuesday evening, as well as hundreds of comments, many congratulating Woods on the ranking, but others commenting that the ad sends the wrong message in light of Woods' past problems. His 5-year marriage to Elin Nordegren collapsed in 2010 after affairs came to light.

Nike spokeswoman Beth Gast said that the ad references Wood's refrain that he competes to win.

"When asked about his goals, such as getting back to No. 1, he has said consistently winning is the way to get there," she said via email. MAE ANDERSON (AP)



Perks of Star Power

The key to winning the NCAA tourney? It's NBA prospects.

College Basketball

When trying to predict who will win the NCAA title, one can't-miss indicator is NBA draft potential.

Each of the previous 10 championship teams had at least two players on its roster get drafted in the first round. And many, like last year's Kentucky team, had more than two get drafted.

So which of the teams remaining in this year's field have at least two future pros?

According to ESPN's Chad Ford, only three teams in the Sweet 16 have multiple players pegged as likely first-round picks for this year's draft.

Kansas freshman Ben McLemore could be the first overall selection in June, but he hasn't helped his draft stock in the Jayhawks' two tournament games. The guard made just two field goals vs. Western Kentucky and went 0-for-9 from the field against North Car-

NCAA Champions Look Professional

The past 10 NCAA champions had at least two players on their roster who went on to become first-round picks in the NBA draft. (EXPRESS)

2012: KENTUCKY

Anthony Davis (1st, 2012)
Michael Kidd-Gilchrist (2nd, 2012)
Terrence Jones (18th, 2012)
Marquis Teague (29th, 2012)

2011: CONNECTICUT

Kemba Walker (9th, 2011)
Jeremy Lamb (12th, 2012)

2010: DUKE

Nolan Smith (21st, 2011)
Miles Plumlee (26th, 2012)

2009: NORTH CAROLINA

Tyler Hansbrough (13th, 2009)
Ty Lawson (18th, 2009)
Wayne Ellington (28th, 2009)
Ed Davis (13th, 2010)
Tyler Zeller (17th, 2012)

2008: KANSAS

Brandon Rush (13th, 2008)
Darrell Arthur (27th, 2008)
Cole Aldrich (11th, 2010)

2007 & 2006: FLORIDA

Al Horford (3rd, 2007)
Corey Brewer (7th, 2007)
Joakim Noah (9th, 2007)
Marreese Speights (16th, 2008)*
* Was not on 2006 team

2005: NORTH CAROLINA

Marvin Williams (2nd, 2005)
Raymond Felton (5th, 2005)
Sean May (13th, 2005)
Rashad McCants (14th, 2005)

2004: CONNECTICUT

Emeka Okafor (2nd, 2004)
Ben Gordon (3rd, 2004)
Charlie Villanueva (7th, 2005)
Hilton Armstrong (12th, 2006)
Josh Boone (23rd, 2006)

2003: SYRACUSE

Carmelo Anthony (3rd, 2003)
Hakim Warrick (19th, 2005)

olina. Kansas also has 7-footer Jeff Withey, who was third in the country in blocked shots per game (3.8) and is expected to get taken later in the first round.

Indiana has two NBA draft lottery prospects. No player has had more of a jump on draft boards this season than athletic guard Victor Oladipo, and sophomore center

Cody Zeller has consistently been viewed as one of the top players in college for two years.

Michigan has three potential future NBA players in Big Ten player of the year Trey Burke, freshman forward Glenn Robinson III and junior guard Tim Hardaway Jr.

Burke and Robinson are projected to go in the first round,

Only three teams in this Sweet 16 have multiple players projected as first-round picks in the NBA draft.

while Hardaway looks more like a second-round option.

Other than those three teams, only Duke and Michigan State have multiple players ranked in the top 60 on Ford's "Big Board."

With all the upsets and unlikely runs in the NCAA tournament, there's one thing to count on over the years: The NCAA champion will be littered with NBA talent.

JEFFREY TOMIK (EXPRESS)

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Where to Look



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• **Tips on Trips and Camps** provides information on sleepaway camp and summer camp programs for kids and teens.

tipsontripsandcamps.com.

• Your local recreation department may run camps at local schools, parks and community centers right in your own neighborhood. You can find camp guides at local libraries and community centers.

• **My Summer Camps Directory** has a section with information on special need camps, including learning disabilities and autism spectrum disorder. mysummercamps.com.

• **Easter Seals** runs summer camps and recreational programs for children and adults with special needs. easterseals.com.

• The greater Washington area has countless museums focusing on subjects from art to science, history and more. Many of the area's museums run summer camp programs. Just a few to consider: **International Spy Museum, Smithsonian Summer Camps, National Zoo Camps, Crime Museum, National Building Museum, Corcoran Gallery of Art.** Check the museum's individual website.

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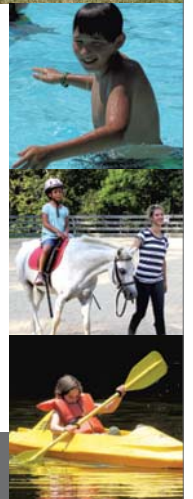
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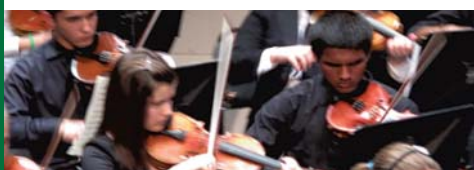
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Chit Chat

Choosing a camp

When selecting a camp, the American Camp Association recommends choosing a camp based on its intrinsic values rather than its external facilities. The National Camp Association (summercamp.org) agrees; choose a camp that can meet (if not all) many of the needs, interests, goals and expectations of both you and your child, they say. Sit down together and ask yourselves the following questions:

- What do you and your child want to **gain from the camp experience?**
- What are your child's **special interests?**
- Does your child have any **physical, intellectual or social limitations** that should be considered?
- What kind of **environment** will benefit your child most? (i.e., structured versus a more self-guided pace; co-ed vs. boys/girls only?)
- And don't forget about **cost, size and location.**

Camp Fairs and Open Houses - to go or not to go

Camp fairs and open houses offer families an opportunity to meet representatives from many different camps, gather information, and then compare notes before making a final decision. According to the American Camp Association, some of the advantages of attending a camp fair or open house include:

1 • the opportunity to speak with camp directors, representatives and sometimes, former campers and their families

2 • guided tours of the facility so you and your child can see where he or she will be eating, sleeping, playing and learning

3 • easing pre-camp anxiety, especially for kids who have never been to camp before

4 • giving your child an opportunity to envision themselves at the camp

5 • becoming familiar with the camp's personality to see whether it's a good match for your child

Does One Size Fits All?

It's rare that one type of camp is good for every child (even every child in one family). You may want your child to start out at a day camp, and then in the next year or so move to an overnight camp. Your child may be musically or athletically or scientifically inclined. As a youngster, your child may not want to go to a co-ed camp, but that may well change in later years. There are so many camps because there are so many different types of campers. But rest assured, whatever your child needs, there is certain to be a camp that will provide the best possible experience.

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Arts, Learning & Enrichment Calendar

April 2013

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P.G. COUNTY BABE RUTH LEAGUE

will hold team tryouts in early April. There are 3 divisions for players ages 13-18 and teams are forming within the county in areas such as Ft. Washington, Camp Springs, Clinton, Upper Marlboro, Landover, Lanham, Greenbelt, Beltsville and College Park.

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Though April 14. Tuesdays through Sundays at 10:30 a.m. and 11:45 a.m.

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JAMES AND THE GIANT PEACH

April 6 through May 26 on select Saturdays and Sundays at 1:30 p.m. and 4 p.m.

This juicy musical is about a young boy who travels across the Atlantic on a giant peach with five oversized (and talking!) bugs, proving that courage and ingenuity can overcome all odds. Best for ages 4-10. Presented by Imagination Stage.

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June 24 – 28, 2013 • 9:00am – 3:30pm

The week-long program provides performance based instruction while exploring the tradition of Jazz music for instrumental and vocal studies. The Capitol Jazz camp is in partnership with DC Public Schools and in collaboration with Jazz at Lincoln Center for rising 6-8 grade students. **The application fee is \$40.**

The Capitol Strings Camp

July 8 – 12, 2013 • 9:00am – 3:30pm

During this week-long camp, rising 4th-5th grade string students will use a variety of learning styles to develop technique, musicianship, and improvisation skills. **The application fee is \$40.**

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July 22 – August 2, 2013 • 9:00am – 3:30pm

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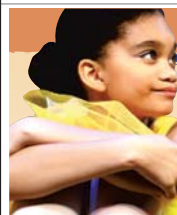
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CAMP ARENA STAGE	8-15	6/24-8/2	A multi-arts summer day camp for budding artists. 75+ activities: Glee, Painting, Rock Band, Acting, Hip-Hop Dance, Filmmaking and more. Learn from talented professional artists in an incredible summer of fun and self-expression. Staff-to-camper ratio is 1:5.	arenastage.org	
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GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY SUMMER PROGRAMS FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS	14-18	6/9-8/10	Spend the summer—enrolled in medical programs for high school students at Georgetown. Discover the many disciplines in the medical field. Participate in hands-on labs, interactive demonstrations and lively lectures lead by Georgetown faculty.	summer.georgetown.edu/medwapo	
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BYM SUMMER CAMPS	Ages 9-18	6/28-8/11	Our goal is to foster the kind of self-esteem that facilitates spiritual growth. Opportunities for such growth are created in the process of supporting campers through challenging experiences.	bymcamps.org	
BARRIE CAMP	4-14	6/17-8/9	Barrie Day Camp, located on the 45-acre wooded campus of the Barrie School, offers quality programming for children.	barrie.org	
BLACKROCK CENTER FOR THE ARTS	4-14	6/17-8/2	BlackRock camps offer action-packed, arts-filled fun for everyone! In full-day multi-arts camps, children age 4 through middle school can form friendships while exploring their interest and talent in the performing and visual arts. There are one and two-week sessions.	blackrockcenter.org	
IMAGINATION STAGE SUMMER CAMP	14-18	6/3-8/30	Imagination Stage offers unique performing arts camps in drama, musical theatre, dance, and filmmaking – and you could perform ON STAGE! Mix and match our 1, 2, 3, & 4-week camps to create the best summer experience that fits in your schedule.	imaginationstage.org	
P.G. COUNTY BABE RUTH LEAGUE	13-18	MAY-JULY	Team tryouts will take place in early April. 3 divisions for players ages 13-18 and teams are forming within the county.		
ROUND HOUSE THEATRE SUMMER CAMP	K-Grade 12 & Adults	6/17-8/23	Round House's Summer Programs inspire creativity, exercise imaginations, promote artistic risk-taking, and explore unique ways to tell stories through theater. 1- and 2-week sessions. 240-644-1386.	roundhousetheatre.org	
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UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND TERPS SOCCER CAMP FOR GIRLS	9-17	6/2-7/13	The Terps Soccer Camps for Girls will host residential and day camps. Coaching staff is comprised of University of Maryland Women's Soccer Coaches and Student-Athletes, with other college coaches represented during the Residential Camps.	terpsoccercamp.com	
VALLEY MILL CAMP	4-15	6/17-8/23	Valley Mill Camp has been serving families in the Washington area since 1956, combining closeness to home with the atmosphere of an away camp.	valleymill.com	
YMCA CAMP LETTS	6-16	6/23-8/23	YMCA Camp Letts offers a safe and stable environment for our campers, guests and families. Day and Overnight Campers full of fun, excitement and a lifetime of memories!	campletts.org	MD
BROOKSFIELD SCHOOL SUMMER CAMP	3-11	6/17-8/2	Brooksfeld Summer Camp is beautifully situated on five secluded acres inside the Washington DC beltway in McLean, VA., offering 2 Week, 4 Week, 6 Week, 8 Week Sessions.	brooksfeldschool.org	
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CREATIVE CAULDRON ARTS ADVENTURE CAMPS	4-14	6/24-8/30	Creative Cauldron's Arts Adventure Camps use theater, music, dance and visual arts to explore the natural world. Camps are led by professional teaching artists. Science, myth, folklore and music are tapped to create original productions and works of art.	creativecauldron.org	
LANGLEY SCHOOL SUMMER STUDIO	8-15	6/17-7/26	The Langley School Summer Studio provides academic enrichment and review in reading and math. Numerous science, fine arts, and sports classes, give children the chance to explore. Special classes for ages 3-5 help prepare children for the school environment.	langleyschool.org/summerstudio	
RANDOLPH-MACON ACADEMY	11-19	6/30-7/26	R-MA Summer Programs include an academic camp for students entering grades 6-8 and students entering grades 9-12. Programs include swimming, trips, sports, and other fun activities. Flight camp and ESL also available.	rma.edu/summer	
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Make Up Your Minds
Miley Cyrus and Liam Hemsworth are already trying to reconcile **27**

Inside Jokes



Save It, ABC

I'm used to turning on the TV and seeing ads that ask me to save things in need, like starving children or abused animals. I'm not used to commercials that ask me to save a TV show.

But there I was, watching "Suburgatory" on ABC last week, when a voice told me that I have the power to



By Rudi Greenberg

save "Happy Endings." From what, exactly? The ad wasn't clear, but I can read between the lines: ABC is saying, "Watch, or it's canceled." The fact that the sitcom is in need of saving isn't a surprise:

After ABC moved "Happy Endings" to Tuesdays last fall, ratings declined and the network doubled up on episodes in January before pulling the show off the air for two months. It returns this week, in hourlong blocks, at 9 p.m. Fridays, where it has apparently been sent to die.

As an early fan of the fast-paced, silly show — which co-stars Damon Wayans Jr. and Eliza Coupe, above — I think it's worth saving (even if season 3 hasn't been nearly as funny as the first two). But why is the onus on me?

ABC has manufactured a "Save This Show" campaign for something that only it has the power to save. By passing the buck to fans, the network has made it obvious it has about as much faith in the show as it does in its viewers.



For more of Rudi's comedy musings, follow him on Twitter: @rudigreenberg.



After the "American Idol" season wraps up, Keith Urban will hit the road, playing outdoor venues on the "Light the Fuse" tour.

No Time to Idle

Country music star Keith Urban keeps busy on 'Idol,' in the studio and onstage

Personalities

Keith Urban's to-do list goes something like this: Provide the voice of reason on "American Idol," choose and record songs for a new album, plan a tour of outdoor venues and arenas that starts this summer, coordinate and learn songs for an upcoming fundraiser concert, fly

back and forth to London where wife Nicole Kidman is shooting a film, and carve out the right amount of time with his two young daughters.

"There's a lot of creativity happening right now," says Urban, 45. "I'm also building a studio at my house, just for the heck of it. Why not?"

Here's a more detailed look at what keeps the Australian country music star busy:

'American Idol'

Urban's not even through his first season on the Fox network sing-

ing competition, but he already knows he'd consider doing it again if asked. "I like that we don't agree on everything," Urban says of his fellow judges. "We come from different places. I think that's important."

His New Album

Urban never set a formal release date but feels like he's falling behind. He plans lots of guests, so that's slowed things down as he's tried to integrate everyone's schedules. The album's release might not come until late summer.

'Light the Fuse' Tour

There may be something a little different at his outdoor shows this summer "People may be hearing songs off the new album live before they hear the album," he says. "That's never happened before, but that's where we are."

"I'm going to look back at this moment and go, 'Oh, my God, what a great time. I should have enjoyed that more.'"

The Fundraiser

Urban has picked the theme "Rebels and Renegades, The Outlaws Are In" for his Country Music Hall of Fame fundraiser on April 16 at Bridgestone Arena in Nashville, and he's lined up some of country's most notable mavericks: Willie Nelson, Loretta Lynn, Kris Kristofferson, Hank Williams Jr., Jason Aldean, Eric Church and Rosanne Cash.

It's all stressful, but Urban makes it work:

"I know in 30 years' time, I'm going to look back at this moment and go, 'Oh, my God, what a great time. I should have enjoyed that more,'" he says. "So I really think of that and it's sort of like I exhale and just slow down and go, 'OK, what's the next thing? What's the next thing?'" CHRIS TALBOTT (AP)

● **Merriweather Post Pavilion, 10475 Little Patuxent Pkwy., Columbia, Md.;** with Little Big Town and Dustin Lynch; Aug. 8, 5:30 p.m.; ticket prices TBA, on sale April 5; 410-715-5550, Merriweathermusic.com.



Double the Lies: ABC Family is banking big on its biggest hit, "Pretty Little Liars," greenlighting another season and approving a spinoff. The network says it has renewed the series starring Lucy Hale, at left, and Ashley Benson for a fifth season. The new show, "Ravenswood," will follow five strangers whose lives become intertwined by a deadly curse that has plagued their town for generations. "Ravenswood" is slated to premiere in October. (AP)

Yet Another 'Comedown'

The new record from The Strokes should come with a warning to lower expectations

Album Review

Why do The Strokes continue to intrigue us?

The band has one great album to its credit; they don't come much better than 2001's "Is This It." But each subsequent album, from 2003's likable "Room on Fire" to 2011's disjointed disaster "Angles," has proven — emphatically and exponentially — that this is a band with just one major artistic statement to its name.

So why all the good vibes?

Simply, The Strokes were the perfect rock 'n' roll group, that most American of institutions. And nobody since has taken over as the nation's great rock 'n' roll group. Vampire Weekend? Too clean. Black Keys? Too few of them. Kings of Leon? Too many reasons to name.

So until another group comes along to claim the crown, we will continue to project our rock group ideals onto The Strokes. Even if the band keeps releasing albums as inconsequential as its latest, "Comedown Machine." And even if The Strokes barely even sound like a rock band anymore.



The Strokes haven't updated their press photo since 2011 and have no tour dates scheduled, yet the band is still making new music.



The Strokes
Comedown Machine

On "Comedown Machine," The Strokes barely even sound like a rock band anymore.

"Comedown Machine" continues a transition away from nimble guitars, a workmanlike rhythm section and the disaffected croon of Julian Casablancas in favor of an

'80s-inspired sonic tapestry and Casablancas' embrace of falsetto — a serious shift for a singer who mined the depths of his gut to howl

on "Last Nite."

The band's new-wave noodlings make the final third of the album entirely skippable, and so while "Comedown Machine" could register to some as the best Strokes album in a decade, it confirms that expecting further greatness is just wishful thinking. But chances are, we'll keep wishing just the same.

DAVID MALITZ (THE WASHINGTON POST)



Older, But Still 'Restless'

Television

Love, loss, breakups, makeups, murder, mayhem, backstabbing, social climbing. Forget about a lifetime, that's just an afternoon on "The Young and the Restless."

The CBS show, daytime's top-rated soap since December 1988, hit the big 4-0 on Tuesday.

No one from its debut on March 26, 1973, remains with the show, but Jeanne Cooper, above, arrived six months later and is the longest-tenured cast member in her role as grand dame Katherine Chancellor.

"God knows it's claimed a big part of my life," the 84-year-old actress says. "Its foundation was set so well and you had core characters that you could grow and become involved with." BETH HARRIS (AP)

Today's Top Stops

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1 Not Done Yet

Christo and Jeanne-Claude were the unofficial first couple of installation art until Jeanne-Claude passed away in 2009. Christo, left, is still with us, though, and he'll be speaking about his upcoming art projects at the Hirshhorn tonight, including "The Mastaba," which will be the largest sculpture in the world. **Hirshhorn Museum, Independence Avenue and Seventh Street SW; today, 6:30 p.m., free; 202-633-1000, Hirshhorn.si.edu. (L'Enfant Plaza)**



2 Winter is Coming (Metaphorically!)

We have resorted to all sorts of sword and sorcery antics to stave off our longing for season 3 of "Game of Thrones" (ALMOST HERE!), and Jack Rose's Ommegang Beer Dinner tonight, featuring the George R. R. Martin-inspired beer, "Iron Throne," and six courses of food and beer, is a perfect distraction. If you're in a dancey mood, show up at 5 p.m. for the Gnomegangnam Style dance party on the terrace. **Jack Rose Dining Saloon, 2007 18th St. NW; today, 7:30 p.m., \$75; 202-588-7388, Jackrosediningaloon.com. (Dupont Circle)**

3 The Poetry Of Geography

To prepare you for National Poetry Month (don't panic; it's not until April — but check out our big story about Washington's poetry culture in Thursday's Weekend Pass), visit our poet laureate, Natasha Trethewey, at tonight's event celebrating Southern writers. Trethewey herself is from Mississippi. **Library of Congress, 101 Independence Ave. SE; today, 6:30 p.m., free; 202-707-5394, Loc.gov. (Capitol South)**

TV tonight **lookout**

BEST BETS

ABC
9:00



Modern Family When Claire and Cam's (Eric Stonestreet, left) house flip brings them to an impasse, they call in Pam (guest star Wendi McLendon-Covey), the lesbian mom from Lily's school, to mediate. Elsewhere, Phil tries teaching the kids some basic home-repair skills. And Gloria spends some quality time with Manny, leaving Jay alone with the baby.

NBC
9:00

Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A popular sports reporter accuses a cameraman of raping and stalking her — a case that becomes even more complicated when she discovers she's pregnant.

USA
10:00

Psych The 100th episode features a mini cast reunion of the 1985 movie "Clue." Shawn and Gus attend a secret mansion party, where they meet characters played by "Clue" actors Christopher Lloyd, Lesley Ann Warren and Martin Mull. (TRIBUNE MEDIA)



'THE REAL WORLD: PORTLAND'

Perpetually Adolescent

MTV
10:00

"Portlandia" stamped the city of Portland, Ore., with an attitude. Now, the great-granddaddy of all reality television moves to Portland for its 28th season. MTV claims this is the "realest" season ever, with near-immediate romances; heated, jumping-on-the-couch arguments; psychological warfare; and a dog named Daisy. KEVIN McDONOUGH (UNIVERSAL UCLICK)

Awards Shows



A Date With Oscar; VMAs Go Brooklyn

Next year's Academy Awards will take place later than usual, on March 2, to avoid overlap with the 2014 Winter Olympics, which run Feb. 7-23. In other awards-show news, MTV's Video Music Awards (Aug. 25) will move from Los Angeles to Brooklyn's Barclays Center this year. (AP)

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Race to Iditarod

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Adventure

If you want to see mushers cross the finish line at the world's most famous sled-dog race in March 2014, better make your reservations soon.

There aren't many hotel rooms available at the end of the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race in Nome, Alaska, leaving mushers and their families battling with fans, tourists and volunteers for a place to sleep.

"Call early and get going," advised Richard Beneville, a Nome tour company operator and chamber of commerce official.

The Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race always starts the first Saturday of March in Anchorage with a ceremonial run. The competitive race starts the next day in Willow, about 50 miles north of Anchorage.

Mushers will travel with their dog teams a thousand miles over treacherous Alaska wilderness to reach Nome, a Bering Sea coastal community located on Alaska's wind-whipped western coast. The winner usually comes in about nine days after the start in Willow.

For fans traveling to Nome, flights aren't a problem. What is



A woman watches a musher as he nears the Iditarod finish line in Nome, Alaska.

Where to Stay

For fans traveling to Nome, it might be tricky to find a place to stay — it only has three hotels:

► **The Nugget Inn** is located in front of the famous finish line for the Iditarod and has 46 rooms. It requires a stay of seven nights or longer for reservations made by Jan. 1.

► **The Polaris Hotel** has 34 rooms, almost all of which are booked for next year.

► **The Aurora Inn** doesn't open reservations for Iditarod week until April 1; the inn always sells out the same day. Reservations for the inn's 54 rooms are only accepted by email. Go to Visitnomealaska.com. (AP)

tricky, however, is finding a place to stay. The city only has three hotels.

B&Bs are another option, but they also sell out quickly.

"After all the hotels are booked and the B&Bs, we go into Plan B," Beneville said.

Beginning in February, once the commercial rooms are all taken, the Nome Visitors Center begins a file that will eventually match homeowners to travelers.

If lucky enough to get a room, visitors will be able to witness the end of the race. The race's mushers will trickle in for a few days. No matter the trouble to get a room, it will be worth it, Beneville said: "Nome is a very cool place. Period."

MARK THIESSEN (AP)

DISCUSSIONS

Flight Crew

I'm mulling a weeklong birthday trip for my husband in September, and I was thinking one of the ABCs because of hurricane season.

Try Curacao, which has the interesting co-flavors of Dutch and the Caribbean, plus loads of activities for those moments when you must escape the sun and heat. Bonaire is best for divers, and Aruba is more commercialized, with lots of duty-free shopping and casinos.

I was married a few years ago and my passport is still in my maiden name. My husband and I are planning an international trip in about six months. I looked up the State Department rules for name changes on passports and it appears that to change my name I will have to pay the renewal fee. Is there anything preventing me from traveling under my maiden name?

As long as the name on your ticket and the name on your ID match, there shouldn't be a problem. If you're going to change your name legally, you will have to get a new passport and pay a renewal fee, according to the State Department.

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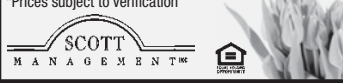
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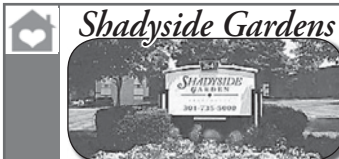
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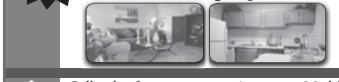
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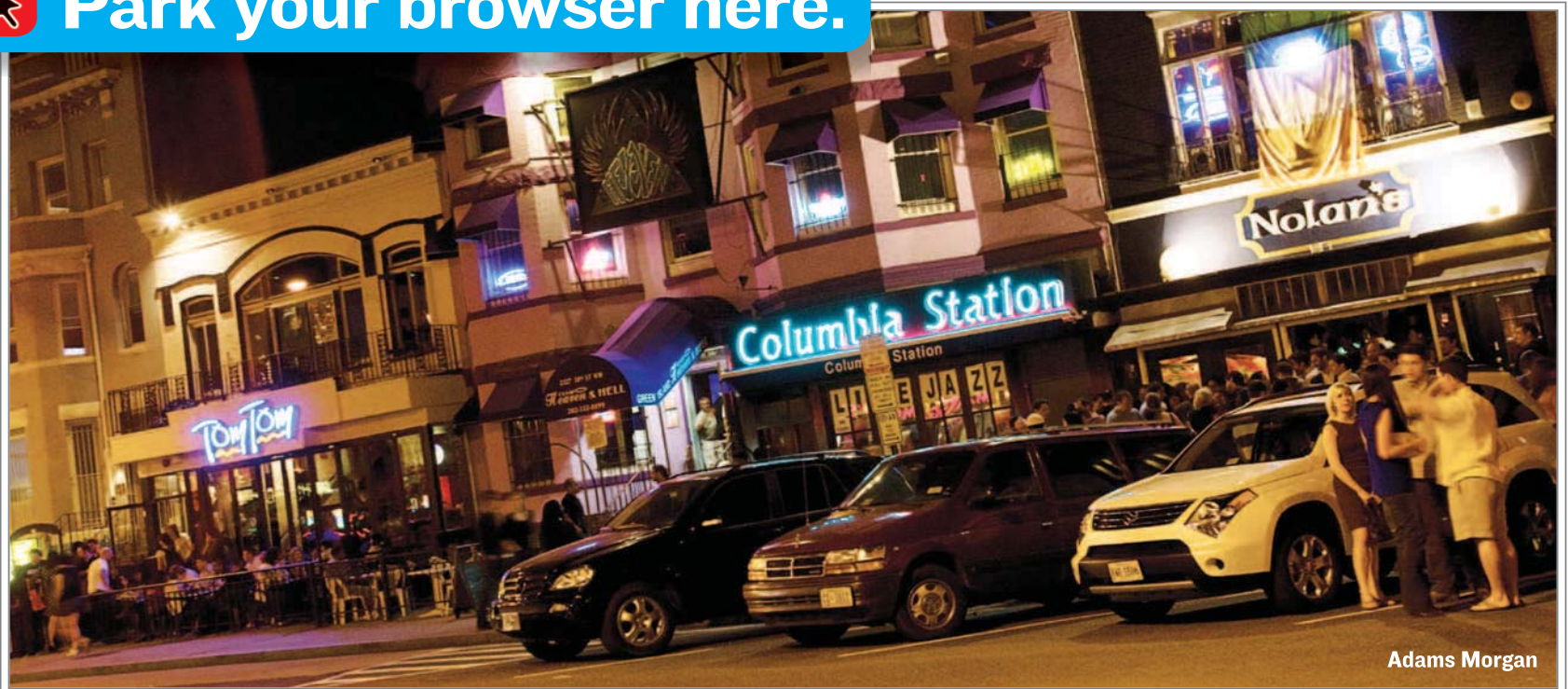


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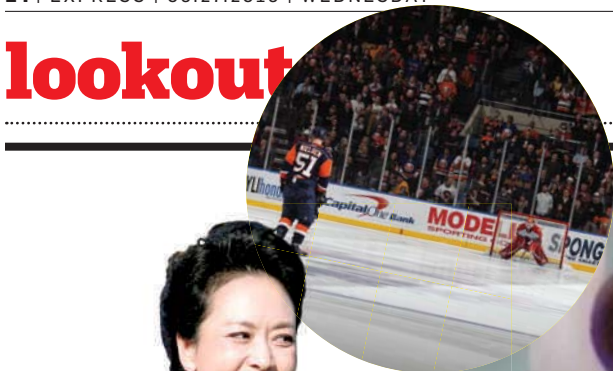
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“While the outfit may seem rather simple and conservative by most Western standards, it’s considered very fashion forward in China, where spouses of politicians tend to avoid the spotlight and dress as plainly as possible.”

— **MADELINE DAVIES AT JEZEBEL.COM** explains why Peng Liyuan, wife of Chinese President Xi Jinping, sparked a fashion craze in China by wearing a black trench coat and carrying a leather purse in public earlier this week.

“NHL rule change proposal: For shootouts, start standing still at center-red line, defender gets to chase you from far blue line.”

— **@GTGFINESSE** wants to spice up the way the hockey league decides victories if overtime goes scoreless. Currently, defenders aren’t involved in shootouts.

“The Jim Carrey Funny or Die video is terribly unfunny, but what is funny is the outrage from the pro-gun nuts.”

— **@WHITE** found reaction to Carrey’s video “Cold Dead Hand” — which mocks Charlton Heston — hilarious. On Fox News’ “The Five” on Monday, host Greg Gutfeld called the comedian “the most pathetic tool on the face of the earth” and added “I hope his career is dead and he ends up sleeping in a car the way his life began.”

“In today’s over-commercialized world of holidays having their emphasis in meaningless gifts and candy, Passover is a welcome tradition focused on ... family.”

— **COMMENTER AT LASUSA AT WASHINGTONPOST.COM/LOCAL** reacts to a story about how many Passover Seders have creative twists to keep younger generations and adults interested in the ritual meal.

“It looks like some fence-sitting pols realize that it’s now or never if they want to get credit for being on the right side of history.”

— **RICK ROSENDALL AT GLAAFORUM.ORG/GLAA_FORUM** reacts to news that Virginia Sen. Mark Warner announced his support for same-sex marriage in a Facebook post Monday.



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ARIES (March 21-April 19) You are willing to do more today than you are asked, but don't neglect a personal issue that requires your attention.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Money matters will likely take up some of your time, but if the central issue is resolved, your freedom will be augmented.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You can enjoy more from your own self-expression than usual. Someone you admire may contact you and offer a cooperative arrangement.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Your initial reaction to a minor surprise is likely to be misinterpreted by some, and this in turn requires you to explain yourself.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Something that has to be done may fall to you — which is fortunate, since you are perhaps the best equipped to take care of it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You'll receive important information and be able to operate with increased efficiency as a result. Don't hold another back.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) One of your most important friendships is likely to receive a boost, as you find yourself in a situation only you two can appreciate.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Your way may be blocked today — not by a person, but by a situation that comes on more quickly than expected and has you frozen for a time.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You must be ready to say what has to be said, without a lot of hesitation or fear. Your listeners are ready to hear it!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) A lapse in judgment may bring you face to face with someone or something you have long feared. Seek help from someone in the know.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) A change at home affects work, and vice versa, but you are not ready for things to be altered even a little. The status quo is your friend!

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You and a friend can walk hand in hand into a situation of your own making and come out the other side feeling content and enriched.

Scrabble Grams

PAR SCORE 145-155, BEST SCORE 224

A ₁	E ₁	O ₁	O ₁	H ₄	L ₁	M ₃

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 RACK 1

A ₁	E ₁	I ₁	I ₁	L ₁	D ₂	B ₃

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 RACK 2

E ₁	O ₁	U ₁	W ₄	L ₁	T ₁	F ₄

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 RACK 3

A ₁	A ₁	E ₁	I ₁	R ₁	V ₄	W ₄

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 RACK 4
1st Letter
DoubleTriple
Word Score

Yesterday's Solution

R ₁	O ₁	T ₁	I ₁	F ₄	E ₁	R ₁	RACK 1 =	60
P ₃	O ₁	L ₁	E ₁	N ₁	T ₁	A ₁	RACK 2 =	62
N ₁	A ₁	P ₃	K ₅	I ₁	N ₁		RACK 3 =	12
B ₃	I ₁	M ₃	O ₁	D ₂	A ₁	L ₁	RACK 4 =	86
PAR SCORE 145-155								TOTAL 220

FOUR RACK TOTAL

Make a 2-7-letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring directions at right. Seven-letter words get a 50-point bonus. Blank tiles used as any letter have no point value. Scrabble is a trademark of Hasbro in the U.S. and Canada.

Sudoku

MEDIUM

7			9		1			
				1		3		
4			5	2		8	7	9
2			8	6		3	9	1
	8			3			4	
9	3	6		1	4			8
6	2	8		5	9			3
	1		3					
		9		8				7

Yesterday's Solution

3	2	5	1	8	9	4	6	7
8	1	4	3	7	6	2	9	5
6	7	9	5	4	2	3	1	8
4	6	2	9	1	5	8	7	3
1	5	3	7	6	8	9	4	2
7	9	8	4	2	3	6	5	1
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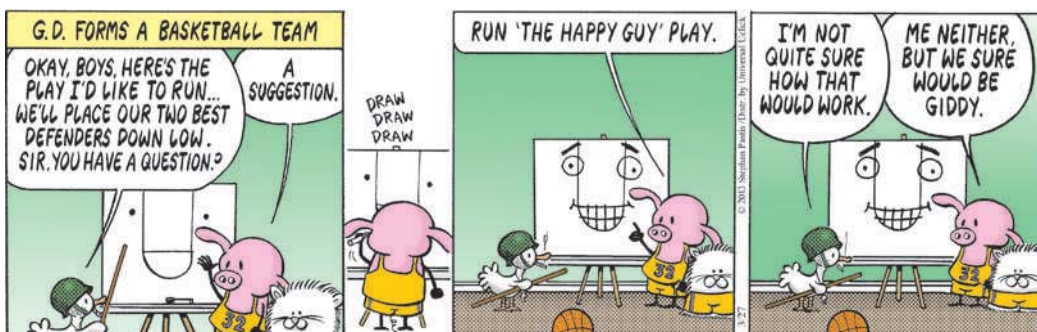
Need more Sudoku? Find another puzzle in the Comics section of The Post every Sunday and in the Style section Monday through Saturday.

Comics

POOCH CAFE | PAUL GILLIGAN



PEARLS BEFORE SWINE | STEPHAN PASTIS



Forecast

53 | **34**

Today: Breezy today with some sun. Mostly cloudy tonight.

53 | **35**

Tomorrow: Breezy tomorrow with clearing. Partly cloudy tomorrow night.

Looking Ahead

FRI **SAT** **SUN**
55 | 37 60 | 38 64 | 49

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today: 7:01 a.m.
Sunset today: 7:27 p.m.
Moonrise today: 8:09 p.m.
Moonset today: 6:51 a.m.

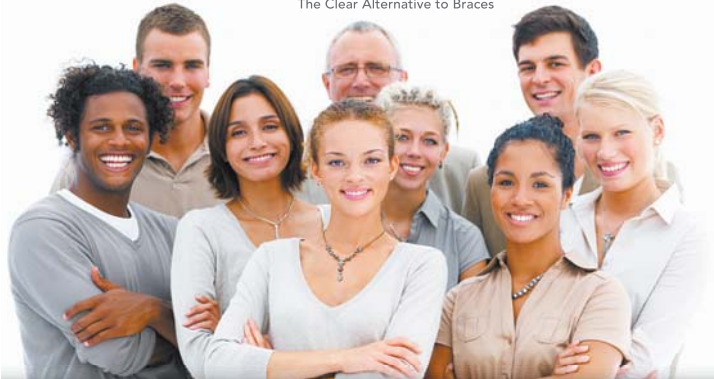
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Normal high: 59
Record high: 87
Normal low: 41
Record low: 23

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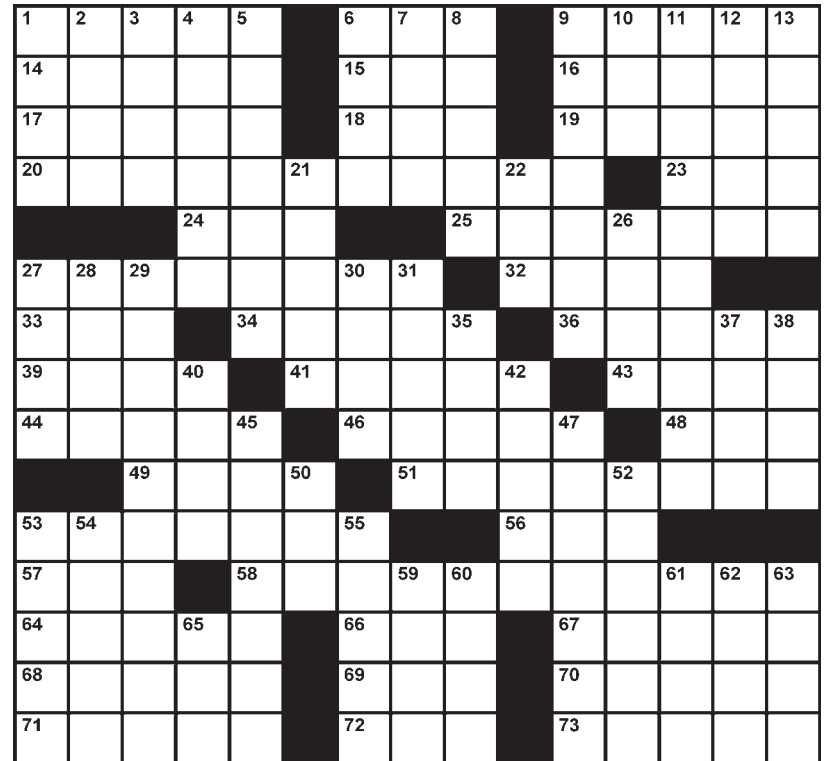
THIS IS YOUR MIND ON BUGS

ACROSS

- 1 Heirloom location
- 6 Genderless ones
- 9 Political contests
- 14 Indian penny
- 15 Cat food container
- 16 Wetlands wader
- 17 Flynn of "Robin Hood"
- 18 Lennon collaborator
- 19 River at Orleans
- 20 Where letters are recited
- 23 Org. with rats and moles
- 24 Hullabaloo
- 25 Raided the fridge
- 27 State of abundance
- 32 Huron's neighbor
- 33 ____ Rio, Texas
- 34 Forceful flow
- 36 Referring to birth
- 39 Midocean
- 41 Streetside pickup
- 43 Sweet-toned instrument
- 44 Easel, e.g.
- 46 Japanese immigrant
- 48 Santa ____ Mountains
- 49 Complain incessantly
- 51 Opposite of diminish
- 53 Noise
- 56 Horned grazer
- 57 Yon maiden fair
- 58 Masked crime fighter (with "The")
- 64 One place for a bracelet
- 66 Formerly, in wedding columns
- 67 Sound a trumpet
- 68 Certain longhorn
- 69 It has a head and hops?
- 70 Some denim garments
- 71 Hard-to-see specks
- 72 It may cause a bad trip
- 73 Have fun with Legos

DOWN

- 1 Primatologist's subjects
- 2 It covers all the bases
- 3 It wears on you during a road trip
- 4 Princess in a Wagner opera
- 5 TV Frasier's clientele
- 6 Mouse user's selection
- 7 Astronaut's beverage
- 8 Elitist types
- 9 Brush up on
- 10 "All Those Years ____" (George Harrison hit)
- 11 It may be swung in Sussex
- 12 Ghastly strange
- 13 "Bed" or "home" addition
- 21 Not up to the task
- 22 Point opposite WSW
- 26 "See you later," Italian-style
- 27 Abbreviations on vitamin bottles
- 28 Superlative ending

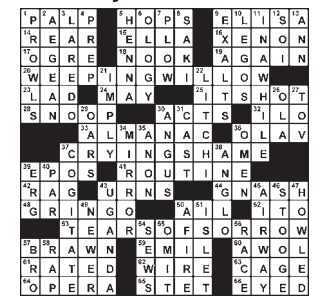


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- 29 Alfresco mall
- 30 Mumbai garment
- 31 Squirrel away
- 35 To be, in old Rome
- 37 Prime ranking
- 38 Mean mate?
- 40 Before thou knowest it
- 42 "____-Ho" ("Snow White" song)
- 45 Angry looks, figuratively
- 47 Not virtuous
- 50 Fish-fowl go-between
- 52 Major League pitcher, e.g.
- 53 Yawning gap
- 54 Slow, musically
- 55 Kidney-related
- 59 Marine wrigglers

- 60 Require
- 61 Place to pray
- 62 Guitarist Clapton
- 63 Put through the paces
- 65 Wrangler competitor

Yesterday's Solution



TODAY IN HISTORY

1513 Spanish explorer Juan Ponce de Leon sights present-day Florida.

1912 First lady Helen Herron Taft and the wife of Japan's ambassador to the United States, Viscountess Chinda, plant the first two of 3,000 cherry trees given as a gift by the mayor of Tokyo.

1964 Alaska is hit by a powerful earthquake and tsunamis that killed about 130 people.

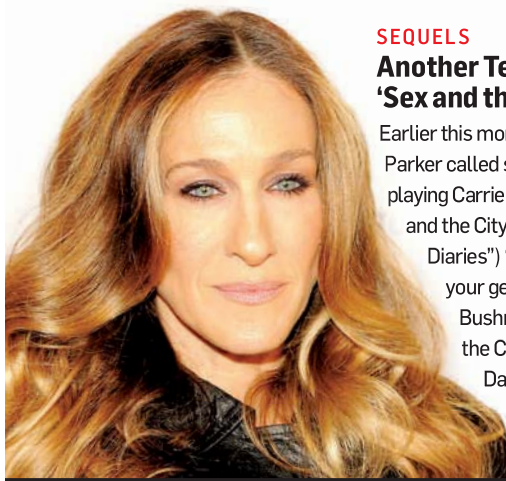
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SEQUELS

Another Test: Not Maiming 'Sex and the City 2' Writers

Earlier this month, Sarah Jessica Parker called seeing a new actress playing Carrie Bradshaw (in the "Sex and the City" prequel "The Carrie Diaries") "one of those tests of your generosity." Candace Bushnell, author of "Sex and the City," responded in The Daily Beast on Tuesday: "That's showbiz." (EXPRESS)

PERFORMANCE ART

Current Franco Persona: Bland, Boring Guy

James Franco says he and Anne Hathaway have made up following their Oscar-hosting gig in 2011. In an interview Monday on Howard Stern's Sirius XM radio show, in which Stern detailed his own hatred for Hathaway ("I don't even know why sometimes," he said), Franco said Hathaway wasn't mad at him about their reviled co-hosting and that they get along fine. (EXPRESS)



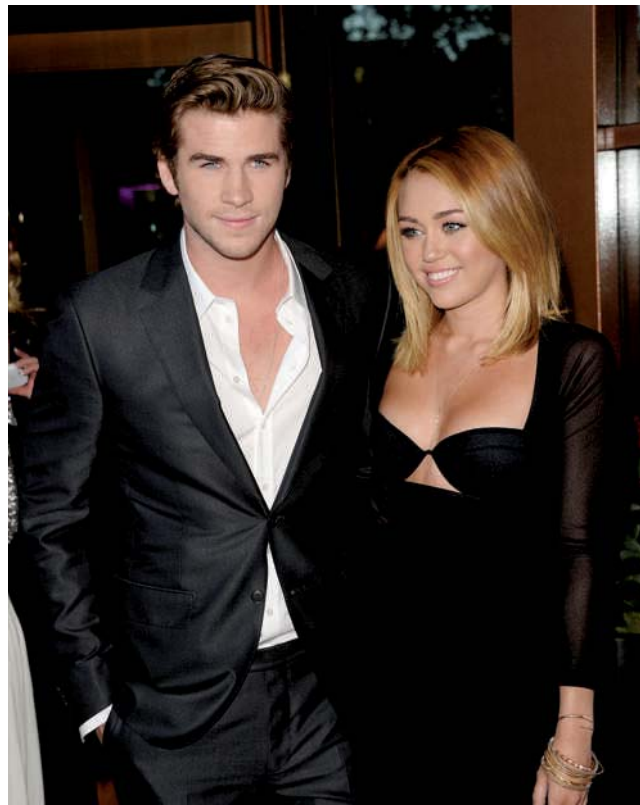
The segment during which Hathaway mimed all of "Rocky III" was a low point.

Dirtbag Digest



But They Said No To Burning Man

Lindsay Lohan refused to approve any plea deal that would force her to miss the Coachella music festival, according to Radar Online. Lohan ordered her attorney to negotiate her a rehab stint that begins after the music festival, which takes place in Southern California over two successive weekends in April. (EXPRESS)



Liam and Miley only split up because you don't respect their privacy. Jerk.

OR GO? OR DON'T? JUST PICK ONE.

Ready, Set, Don't Go

Miley Cyrus and Liam Hemsworth, who reportedly broke up recently, are attempting to reconcile. E! News reports that the two have reunited since Hemsworth has been back in Los Angeles (he was in his native Australia for much of March) and that the engaged couple have been trying to work out their differences. A source said the break gave the pair the chance to figure out what they want and that their planned wedding is still a go. The source blamed intense media scrutiny for their stress. (EXPRESS)



COSMIC IRONY

Thief Was Originally Just Hoping to Score Some Meth

A New Mexico man has been arrested on charges of burglarizing "Breaking Bad" star Bryan Cranston's car in December, taking an iPad and a script for the show. E! News reports that the teleplay is still missing. Police believe Cranston was not targeted, but the man was arrested after he was heard bragging about the script. (EXPRESS)

"Maybe my loyalty to these jeans and boots isn't so much an endorsement of them as it is an expression of my distaste for anything else."



— JUSTIN THEROUX, IN ESQUIRE, DISCUSSING HIS FASHION MANTRA: "WINTER FROM THE WAIST DOWN." HE SAYS SUMMER IS A DIFFICULT TIME FOR HIM.

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